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<b>Office Action Summary</b>	<b>Application No.</b> 10/789,925	<b>Applicant(s)</b> MIYAJI, TOSHIKATSU ET AL.	
	<b>Examiner</b> Christopher H. Orders	<b>Art Unit</b> 3746	

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#### Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 27 February 2004.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**.                      2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

#### Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-3 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-3 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

#### Application Papers

- 9) ☒ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 27 February 2004 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.  
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

#### Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All    b) ☐ Some \* c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
  2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
  3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

#### Attachment(s)

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## **DETAILED ACTION**

### ***Specification***

1. The cross-reference to related applications does not appear in the proper order within the specification, and there are section headings that do not correspond with what is recommended.

The following guidelines illustrate the preferred layout for the specification of a utility application. These guidelines are suggested for the applicant's use.

### **Arrangement of the Specification**

As provided in 37 CFR 1.77(b), the specification of a utility application should include the following sections in order. Each of the lettered items should appear in upper case, without underlining or bold type, as a section heading. If no text follows the section heading, the phrase "Not Applicable" should follow the section heading:

- (a) TITLE OF THE INVENTION.
- (b) CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS.
- (c) STATEMENT REGARDING FEDERALLY SPONSORED RESEARCH OR DEVELOPMENT.
- (d) INCORPORATION-BY-REFERENCE OF MATERIAL SUBMITTED ON A COMPACT DISC (See 37 CFR 1.52(e)(5) and MPEP 608.05. Computer program listings (37 CFR 1.96(c)), "Sequence Listings" (37 CFR 1.821(c)), and tables having more than 50 pages of text are permitted to be submitted on compact discs.) or  
REFERENCE TO A "MICROFICHE APPENDIX" (See MPEP § 608.05(a). "Microfiche Appendices" were accepted by the Office until March 1, 2001.)
- (e) BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION.
  - (1) Field of the Invention.
  - (2) Description of Related Art including information disclosed under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
- (f) BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION.
- (g) BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE SEVERAL VIEWS OF THE DRAWING(S).
- (h) DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION.
- (i) CLAIM OR CLAIMS (commencing on a separate sheet).
- (j) ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE (commencing on a separate sheet).
- (k) SEQUENCE LISTING (See MPEP § 2424 and 37 CFR 1.821-1.825. A "Sequence Listing" is required on paper if the application discloses a nucleotide or amino acid sequence as defined in 37 CFR 1.821(a) and if

the required "Sequence Listing" is not submitted as an electronic document on compact disc).

### ***Claim Objections***

2. Claims 1 and 2 are objected to because of the following informalities: The recitation of "an one-way clutch" (claim 1: pg. 11, ln. 7) is presumed to be --a one-way clutch-- for proper clarity. The recitation of "the motor" (claim 2: pg. 11, ln. 15) is presumed to be --the auxiliary power source-- for proper antecedent basis. Appropriate correction is required.

### ***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102***

3. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

4. Claim 1 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Seguchi et al. (6,501,190).

Seguchi et al. teach a hybrid compressor system for selectively transmitting a driving force of a vehicle-driving power source (100) and a driving force of an auxiliary power source (200) to a compressor (600) of a vehicle air conditioning device (col. 2, ln. 40-41), comprising: a one-way clutch (172) selectively transmitting the driving force of

the auxiliary power source (200) to the compressor (600), the one-way clutch (172) being mounted on the auxiliary power source (200).

***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103***

5. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

6. Claims 2 and 3 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Seguchi et al. (6,501,190) in view of Adaniya et al (6,619,929).

Seguchi et al. teach many of the claim limitations including that the one-way clutch (172) includes: an inner ring ("inner lace" col. 3, ln. 46) fixed to an output shaft (221) of the auxiliary power source (200); an outer ring ("outer lace" col. 3, ln. 45) being concentrically disposed on an outer side of the inner ring ("inner lace"); and interrupting means ("torque transmitting member" col. 3, ln. 47) connecting the inner ring ("inner lace") and the outer ring ("outer lace") such that the force is transmitted therebetween; and a belt (162) on a pulley (153) transmitting the force from the auxiliary power source (200) to the compressor (600).

Seguchi et al. do not expressly teach that the outer ring is rotatably disposed on an outer side of the inner ring; the clutch releases the connection between the two rings by a predetermined centrifugal force corresponding to the rotation of the outer ring; the outer ring is a pulley; and a belt for transmitting the driving force to the compressor is

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wound around the pulley. However, Adaniya et al. teach a one-way clutch (42) in which an outer ring (43, 38, 35) is rotatably disposed on an outer side of an inner ring (39, 44); the clutch (42) releases the connection between the two rings (43, 38, 35; 39, 44) by a predetermined centrifugal force corresponding to the rotation of the outer ring (43, 38, 35); the outer ring (43, 38, 35) is a pulley (35); and a belt (37) for transmitting driving force. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to combine the clutch/pulley mechanism of Adaniya et al. with the hybrid compressor system of Seguchi et al. for the benefit of making the clutch more easily serviceable by placing it external to the motor housing.

### ***Conclusion***

7. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. Takano et al. (5,867,996) and Hara (6,351,957) teach belt driven compressors with engine and electric motor motive sources and a clutch mounted to the compressor.

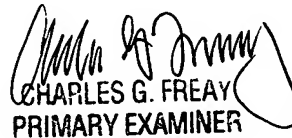
Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Christopher H. Orders whose telephone number is (571) 272-7163. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday, 7:30am-4pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Timothy S. Thorpe can be reached on (571) 272-4444. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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